

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Reverend Joe Holzhauser has served the Huron Catholic community for 9 years during which time he assisted in the consolidation of two churches into one site, the Holy Trinity Catholic Parish, and the building of a new school; and,

Whereas, Father Joe was a native of Gettysburg, South Dakota, graduated from Agar High School, received a bachelor of arts degree in history at St. Mary's College in Winona, Minnesota, and completed his studies at St. Paul Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota; and,

Whereas, Father Joe was ordained in his home church, Sacred Heart Church, Gettysburg, by Bishop Paul Dudley on May 29, 1982, received his first parish appointment at St. Joseph Cathedral in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and went on to serve parishes at Yankton, Wakonda, Kimball and Hoven before moving to Huron, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Father Joe has been an active member of the South Dakota Knights of Columbus and will become the state chaplain in July, is a 21-year member of the South Dakota National Guard, having served 1 year in Afghanistan and 6 months in Saudi Arabia, and currently holds the rank of colonel; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to join his parents, John and Pat Holzhauser, two brothers, Mike and Craig, one sister, Paula, and the community of Huron in recognizing the many accomplishments and years of service of this South Dakotan:

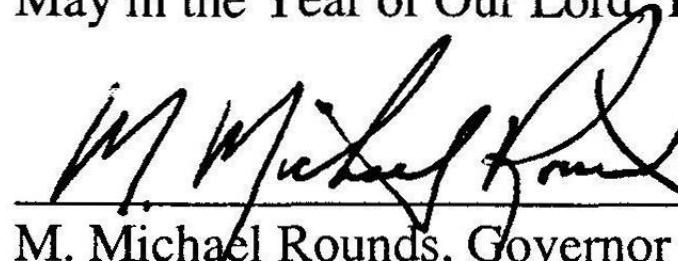
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 2, 2007, as

FATHER JOE HOLZHAUSER DAY

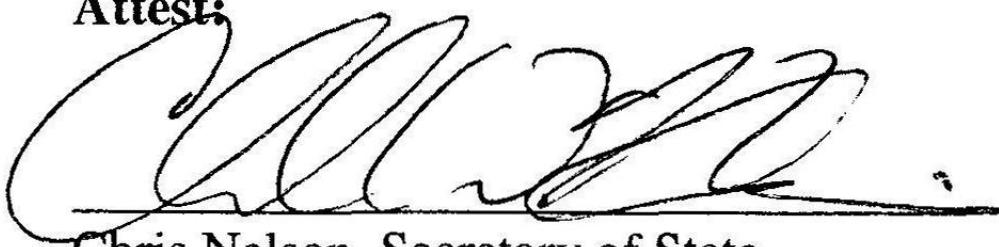
in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirtieth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State